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**From:** Sloan, Richard [RSloan@mt.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/1/2018 1:03:24 PM  
**To:** Cirian, Mike [Cirian.Mike@epa.gov]; Vranka, Joe [vranka.joe@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Balliew, Carolina [Carolina.Balliew@mt.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: CFAC scope of investigation

Mike,

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Dick Sloan.

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**From:** Cirian, Mike [mailto:Cirian.Mike@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 31, 2018 4:07 PM  
**To:** Vranka, Joe <vranka.joe@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Sloan, Richard <RSloan@mt.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: CFAC scope of investigation

FYI,

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Thanks  
Mike

Mike Cirian, PE  
Libby On-site Project Manager  
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108 East 9th Street  
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(406) 293-6194 Office

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**From:** Vranka, Joe  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 26, 2018 4:04 PM  
**To:** Cirian, Mike <Cirian.Mike@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: CFAC scope of investigation

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Vranka, Joe" <vranka.joe@epa.gov>  
**Date:** July 26, 2018 at 3:59:01 PM MDT  
**To:** **Personal Matters / Ex. 6**  
**Subject:** Re: CFAC scope of investigation

Hi, Mark:

Thank you for the follow-up email. I'm down in Butte today at meetings, and most of our staff are out in the field. I haven't been able to get one of our inspectors up to the site yet, so I'm glad Dick Sloan (Montana DEQ) was able to address the immediate problem. I do want to follow up with you on the dust releases you observed. We are in the middle of a Superfund remedial investigation, so there is an opportunity to do some sampling to evaluate releases from the site. I am copying our EPA Remedial Project Manager for the site, Mike Cirian, so he will have your contact information when he returns to the office on Monday. Thank you again for notifying us of the dust issues at the CFAC site.

Joe Vranka  
(406)457-5039  
[vranka.joe@epa.gov](mailto:vranka.joe@epa.gov)

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On Jul 26, 2018, at 3:07 PM,

**Personal Matters / Ex. 6**

wrote:

Joe,

This morning I called Dick Sloan, DEQ, about the ongoing violations. Within the hour the air was cleared. Now that CFAC has seemingly remedied the problems, are you pursuing a violation of clean air act?

My other concern is now what? The regulatory agencies have allowed this particulate to be spread to adjacent private property, through town past the school, and all the way to the county dump. Let's not forget about the stuff that drifted North to the City of Columbia Falls water supply, and South into the Wild and Scenic middle fork river over to the Columbia Heights area. Looks like the scope of the CFAC investigation should be considerably increased. Let me know how you intend to proceed.

Thanks,  
Mark Guse

**Personal Matters / Ex. 6**